

'HOME, SWEET HOME' FOR MEN OF E BATTERY AFTER A CAMPAIGN OF THRILLING WARFARE IN FRANCE

Incidents In Connection With The Arrival of The Members of The Battery And The Reception Tendered The Boys By Mt. Vernon Citizens on Wednesday Afternoon.

Greatest Crowd In The History of the City Turns Out To Extend a Welcome To The Knox County Unit Upon Its Return From The Battlefields of France; Brief Address To The Returning Warriors Given By Mayor Bair.

Home, Sweet Home.

Never before in the history of Mt. Vernon or Knox county was there ever such a reception given to anyone, as there was to the members of E battery when they arrived here yesterday afternoon.

Long before the train had left Columbus thousands and thousands of people gathered on Main street and the public square to welcome the boys home.

Looking north on Main street from the Pennsylvania depot to the public square, it was a kaleidoscope of bright colors and faces. Not an inch of standing room on the street was available.

Flags and banners hung from the windows of every building and people risked their lives by leaning over the edges of the roofs of almost every building along the line of march.

All but a few children and anxious mothers obeyed the instructions of the welcoming committee and stayed away from the depot, when the battery arrived.

Shout Goes Up

At two o'clock, when the train bearing the battery left Columbus, whistles sounded and bells were rung. Immediately those who had not closed their places of business rushed for a place along the line of march.

A mighty shout went up from the crowd when the train bearing the battery arrived in the depot and all was a bedlam of noise. Bells were rung, whistles blown, cannons roared and those who had revolvers fired them as rapidly as they could.

Parade to Square

Immediately upon their arrival, the members of the battery, under the command of Lieut. Edison Breese, fell in and the parade started, to the tune of "There'll be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," played by Garfield Snow's Silver Cornet band.

People crowded into the streets until there was just room enough for the marchers to go through. Shouts of "Hello, Joe," "There's Jim," "Welcome Home, Bill," etc., were flung at the smiling heroes as they marched up the street, with heads erect, shoulders thrown back, proud and happy.

As the marchers entered upon the Square the bedlam of noises became terrific. Cheers and cries mingled with the noises made by every kind of a noise-making instrument known. Bushels and bushels of torn paper were thrown from the roofs of buildings and floated down like snow upon the heads of the happy veterans.

Mayor Gives Address

As soon as the boys reached the Square, Mayor Bair gave them a brief but hearty welcome address. The ropes, which had been used to space off a place for the war mothers, were flung aside and trampled on by the gigantic crowd.

Happy Reunion

Nothing could stop them, for their boys, their sons and loved ones had come home after gambling with life's greatest gamble—Death.

They had come home, back to their mothers and sweethearts from the very brink of the grave and it would have taken more than ropes or even stone barricades to stop the wild rush.

After the short address of welcoming, it was a happy reunion for all. Mothers, wives, sweethearts and sisters gathered their loved ones to them not caring for the public—in fact, the public was not caring for anything, for almost everyone was busy greeting some member of the battery.

The tears of sorrow of two years ago, when the battery left, had changed to tears of happiness, and they flowed freely everywhere.

Hearty Welcome

It was a happy welcoming, a heart-to-heart welcoming, which made the boys know that they were at home at last after two years of weary wandering.

No matter how much money is spent welcoming anyone, it does not matter if you spend the fortunes of a kingdom, there is only one true greeting and that is the "Home, Sweet Home" greeting, of mother in her son's fond embrace.

Largest Crowd

According to everyone the throng which gathered in the streets was probably the largest that ever gathered in Mt. Vernon. They came from

every part of the city and many from the county.

Buildings swarmed with men and boys who risked their lives by climbing along the ledges of the buildings to get a good view of the parade. Long before the battery had left Columbus, hundreds of small lads had climbed up the fire escape of the Hotel Curtis, and were promptly chased down again by Mr. Warner, who was afraid they would fall. However, when the parade started they were all in their places along the edge of the roof again, shouting and throwing paper down upon the heads of the crowd. It was impossible to keep them off the building. It was the same situation on other buildings.

Breese Was First

Lieut. Edison Breese, son of Service Director Breese, was the first to leave the train. Immediately he was surrounded by fifty of his friends. He was followed by Lieut. Kenneth Snow, who left here as a top sergeant and returned as a second lieutenant. Lieutenants Breese and Snow were the only commissioned men with the battery.

Parade Was Brief

The parade was headed by Mayor Bair, William Appleton and Leroy Mayor, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Then followed the police force and the members of the G. A. R. and their file and drum corps. It was a wonderful sight as the old veterans, with heads erect, proudly led the returning warriors.

The War Mothers came next, some carrying service flags, others American flags and some Welcome Home banners. On some of the service flags were red stars, others had blue stars upon them and two others, gold stars, signifying that their sons were not in the parade in body, but in spirit.

An Incident

Shortly after the parade had started it was interrupted for a few seconds by Harold Woolson. While he was not in the battery he had arrived on the same train from Camp Sherman. As he started up Main street, where the parade was moving, he suddenly spied his mother, marching with the war mothers. He had not noticed her that he was coming home and with a wild shout and a jump he was in his mother's arms, kissing her.

In spite of the inclement weather during the morning and up until the last few minutes before the train bearing the battery arrived, the crowd was not daunted for they were prepared to greet their sons and loved ones, in any kind of weather.

Touching Scenes

The zenith of the welcoming came immediately after Mayor Bair had made his address. The crowd surged upon the veterans, everyone attempting to shake hands of all of them.

Mothers alternatively laughed and cried in their happiness. Tears streamed down their faces.

Greeted His Child

If ever a baby was greeted in a wonderful and loving way, it was when Richard Graham greeted his child. It was the first time the father looked upon his child and when his wife showed it to him he grasped it up in his arms and would let no one take it from him.

Glad To Be Home

The exclamations which came from the boys as they marched up the street were novel but were spoken with great sincerity.

"It's the same old town, but oh, man, it's the best I have ever looked upon for two years," said one of them as he gazed around the public square. "France and Belgium are all right in their way," said another, "but they don't weigh very much with me."

It was the same with all of them. They all agreed that no matter where you roam, there is no place like Home, Sweet Home.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

At St. Paul's Episcopal church, the service tomorrow morning will be at 9:30. In the afternoon at 4:15 in the chapel of the parish house. The baptismal service for children will be, as customary, on Easter Eve, which is Saturday afternoon. This service will be at the church at 4:15 o'clock.

SPECIAL SERVICES ON GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday evening at 8 o'clock the Presbyterian church will have a special service appropriate to the day. The session of the church will meet to welcome anyone who desires to unite with the church to be welcomed on Easter morning.

Do not forget the congregational meeting tonight (Thursday) at 6:30. Come with your family and bring your basket supper.

You will want to hear the reports of this year.

CHILD STRUCK BY TAXICAB IS BADLY INJURED

Accident Occurs on Sugar Street Wednesday Afternoon

Machine Was Driven By I. J. Gault Who Lives In Academia

Beatrice Hall, aged 7 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hall of East Sugar street, was seriously injured when she was knocked down by a taxicab in front of the home of her parents late Wednesday afternoon.

The child was crossing the street and did not see the approaching taxi, driven by I. J. Gault of Academia.

The little girl was picked up unconscious and carried into the house. She remained in an unconscious condition until 2 o'clock Thursday morning. An examination by physicians revealed the fact that no bones were broken.

The child was slightly improved Thursday afternoon and will recover, physicians state.

RED CROSS SHIPS MORE CLOTHING

The local chapter of the Red Cross made a shipment of clothing to the national headquarters in New York on Wednesday. The clothing is for the war sufferers in Europe. The shipment consisted of 39 bags of clothing, 3 bags of shoes and one barrel of infants' clothing. During the war, and including this shipment, the local chapter has shipped a total of four and one-half tons to the war sufferers of Europe.

WILL ENTERTAIN WITH A SUPPER

Members of Hiawatha lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, will entertain all its members returning from war with a Virginia Baked Ham supper on Tuesday evening, April 22, at the Moose Home on West High street. The lodge has 43 men in the service and two who lost their lives in the great conflict. Fourteen members belong to E Battery.

SERVICES TONIGHT AT CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services at the Church of Christ tonight at 8 o'clock. Song services and special music. Sermon subject: "Jesus on Trial." Cottage prayer meetings for Friday at following homes: Mrs. Cox, 506 North Mulberry; Mrs. Loney, 309 East Chestnut; Mrs. Baughman, 802 West Chestnut; Mrs. Hutchinson, 109 Oak street; 9:30 is the hour of cottage meetings.

AUTO DRIVERS ASKED TO USE OLD ROAD

The Mt. Vernon Chamber of Commerce advises all automobilists to use the old Gambier road in traveling to Gambier and not to use the cross-road from the Coshocton road into Gambier. This road is being repaired and is in bad condition.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere gratitude and thanks to the kind neighbors and friends for the help given us during the sickness and at the time of the death of our dear mother. We also wish to thank Rev. Web for his consoling words and the friends for the beautiful flowers given in our recent bereavement.

Mrs. MINNIE NORRIS.
Mrs. NORMA KIRKPATRICK.
EMERY R. FERRIS.
Mrs. Fred Ferris.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK IN KEEPING WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE DAY

THE Victory Reconstruction campaign for the United interdenominational Sunday School work of the continent is in keeping with the spirit of this new day. Its success is the surest and shortest road to the realization of those ideals in every community which stand for a clean citizenship, high morals and a new safe Christian democracy. It will give to the Sunday Schools of the country a larger vision, a more practical program, a trained leadership, a better literature. It will place in active positions of responsibility hundreds of trained special-



MARION LAWRENCE, Secretary International S. S. Association, Chicago, help all denominations realize their distinctive programs and give the Sunday School the recognition its efficiency deserves. My third of a century in active Sunday School work in Ohio makes me exceedingly anxious that my active state, still and always beloved, shall go far over the top in this campaign for the saving of her boys and girls.

The Sunday School of today is a new thing and is becoming newer every day. It has burst the chrysalis of past traditions and comes forth in a new form. It has come to its own and is now recognized as the church's best and most effective agency for religious education. The Sunday School is the hope of the church and without its vast contribution to the church membership the church would become extinct within less than half a century. The Sunday School is the greatest factor for promulgating the principle of good citizenship and Christian democracy in the world and deserves the hearty support of all loyal patriotic people.

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A representative, direct from the factory, will be with us on Saturday, April 19th—Come in and talk it over with him.

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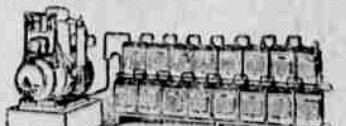
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